

Page 1, between lines 9 and 10, insert:

**--BRIEF SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION--**

Page 3, between lines 7 and 8, insert:

**--BRIEF SUMMARY OF THE DRAWINGS--**

Page 4, between lines 2 and 3, insert:

**--DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS--**

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Claim 3, line 1, delete "or 2".

Claim 8, line 1, delete "or 7".

Add new Claims 19 and 20:

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19. (new) Process according to Claim 2, characterized in that the printing, markings (24) and/or printed marks (25) sensed by the sensors or printed-mark readers (26, 30) are evaluated for the purpose of controlling the drive of the film web (13) and/or of the material strip (18).

20. (new) Apparatus according to Claim 7, characterized in that conveying elements for the material strip (18) and/or the film web (13) provided with material strip (18) and/or tear-open strip (12) can be controlled by the sensors - printed-mark readers (26, 30) - in respect of changing the drive speed of the film web (13) and/or material strip (18).

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**REMARKS**

The Specification has been amended to incorporate the section headers preferred by the USPTO. No new matter has been added.

The claims have been amended to delete multiple dependencies. New Claims 19 and 20 correspond to original Claims 3 and 8, respectively, to incorporate